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SENATE AMENDMENT 2, TO SENATE SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT 1, TO ASSEMBLY BILL 1

April 5, 2002 - Offered by Senators Chvala, Risser, Moen and Burke.

| 1 | At the locations indicated, amend the substitute amendment as follows: |
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| 2 | *b2706/6.1* 1. Page 1, line 4: delete that line and substitute: |
| 3 | * b2706/6.1 * " Section 1g. 5.02 (13) of the statutes is amended to read: |
| 4 | 5.02 (13) "Political party" or "party" means a state committee registered under |
| 5 | s. 11.05 and organized exclusively for political purposes under whose name |
| 6 | candidates appear on a ballot at any election, and all county, congressional, |
| 7 | legislative, local and other affiliated committees authorized to operate under the |
| 8 | same name. For purposes of ch. 11, the term does not include a legislative campaign |
| 9 | committee or a committee filing an oath under s. 11.06 (7). |
| 10 | *b2706/6.1* Section 1r. 6.18 of the statutes is amended to read:". |
| 11 | *b2873/2.1* 2. Page 1, line 4: delete that line and substitute: |
| 12 | *b2873/2.1* "Section 1g. 5.86 of the statutes is amended to read: |

5.86 Proceedings at central counting location locations. (1) All proceedings at the each central counting location shall be under the direction of the municipal clerk or an election official designated by the clerk unless the central counting location is at the county seat and the municipal clerk delegates the responsibility to supervise the location to the county clerk, in which case the proceedings shall be under the direction of the county clerk or an election official designated by the county clerk. Unless election officials are selected under s. 7.30 (4) (c) without regard to party affiliation, the employees at the each central counting location, other than any specially trained technicians who are required for the operation of the automatic tabulating equipment, shall be equally divided between members of the 2 major political parties under s. 7.30 (2) (a) and all duties performed by the employees shall be by teams consisting of an equal number of members of each political party whenever sufficient persons from each party are available.

(2) At the each central counting location, a team of election officials designated by the clerk or other election official having charge of the location under sub. (1) shall check the container returned containing the ballots to determine that all seals are intact, and thereupon shall open the container, check the inspectors' slip and compare the number of ballots so delivered against the total number of electors of each ward served by the polling place who voted, remove the ballots or record of the votes cast and deliver them to the technicians operating the automatic tabulating equipment. Any discrepancies between the number of ballots and total number of electors shall be noted on a sheet furnished for that purpose and signed by the election officials.

b2873/2.1 Section 1m. 6.18 of the statutes is amended to read:".

b2957/1.1 3. Page 1, line 4: delete that line and substitute: 1 2 ***b2957/1.1*** "**Section 1dc.** 5.02 (21) of the statutes is amended to read: 3 5.02 (21) "Spring election" means the election held on the first Tuesday in April 4 to elect judicial, educational, and municipal officers, nonpartisan county officers, 5 and sewerage commissioners and to express preferences for the person to be the 6 presidential candidate for each party. 7 ***b2957/1.1*** **Section 1de.** 5.02 (22) of the statutes is amended to read: 8 5.02 (22) "Spring primary" means the nonpartisan primary held on the 3rd Tuesday in February to nominate nonpartisan candidates to be voted for at the 9 10 spring election and to express preferences for the person to be the presidential 11 candidate for each party in a year in which electors for president and vice president 12 are to be elected. 13 *b2957/1.1* Section 1dg. 5.58 (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read: 5.58 Spring primary ballots. (intro.) At spring primary elections the 14 following ballots, when necessary, shall be provided for each ward, except as 15 16 authorized in s. 5.655. Only Except as provided in sub. (2r), only nonpartisan 17 candidates nominated for office by nomination papers shall have their names placed on the official spring primary ballot under the proper office designation, but the 18 19 ballots shall allow room for write-in candidates. *b2957/1.1* Section 1dgi. 5.60 (8) of the statutes is renumbered 5.58 (2r). 20 21 ***b2957/1.1*** **SECTION 1dh.** 5.68 (2) of the statutes is amended to read: 22 5.68 (2) Except as provided in sub. (7) or as otherwise expressly provided, all 23 costs for ballots, supplies, notices, and any other materials necessary in preparing or conducting any election shall be paid for by the county or municipality whose clerk 24

or board of election commissioners is responsible for providing them. If a ballot is prepared for a school, technical college, sewerage, or sanitary district, the district shall pay for the cost of the ballot. If no other level of government is involved in a school, technical college, sewerage, or sanitary district election, the district shall pay for all costs of the ballots, supplies, notices, and other materials. If ballots, supplies, notices, or other materials are used for elections within more than one unit of local government, the costs shall be proportionately divided between the units of local government involved in the election. In a 1st class city, all costs otherwise attributable to a school district shall be paid by the city.

b2957/1.1 **Section 1dj.** 5.68 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:

5.68 (4) The Except as provided in sub. (7), the cost of compensation of election officials and trainees shall be borne in the manner provided in s. 7.03.

b2957/1.1 **SECTION 1dk.** 5.68 (5) of the statutes is amended to read:

5.68 (5) If Except as provided in sub. (7), if a charge is made for the use of a polling place, the charge shall be paid by the municipality establishing the polling place under s. 5.25 (2) unless the polling place is used to conduct a special election that is called by a unit of government other than the state or the municipality establishing the polling place and the special election is not held concurrently with an election specified in s. 5.02 (5), (18), (21), or (22). In such case, the charge shall be paid by the unit of government that calls the special election.

b2957/1.1 **Section 1dL.** 5.68 (7) of the statutes is created to read:

5.68 (7) Any municipality that incurs costs in any year to hold the presidential preference primary in the municipality, or in any portion thereof, at one or more polling places where no other election is held concurrently with the presidential preference primary in that year may file a claim with the board for reimbursement

of those costs. The claim shall be accompanied by appropriate substantiation of any costs incurred. The board shall audit the claim and, if the board finds that the costs have been incurred by the municipality, and the costs would not have been incurred but for the requirement to hold the presidential preference primary on the 3rd Tuesday in February, the board shall reimburse the municipality for those costs. No claim is payable under this subsection unless the claim is filed with the board, together with appropriate substantiation, by April 30 following the presidential preference primary.

b2957/1.1 Section 1dn. 6.18 of the statutes is amended to read:".

b2706/6.2 **4.** Page 3, line 12: after that line insert:

b2706/6.2 "Section 1ec. 7.08 (2) (c) and (cm) of the statutes are amended to read:

7.08 (2) (c) As soon as possible after the canvass of the spring and September primary votes, but no later than the first Tuesday in March and the 4th Tuesday in September, transmit to the state treasurer a certified list of all eligible candidates for state office who have filed applications under s. 11.50 (2) and whom who the board determines to be are eligible to receive payments from the Wisconsin election campaign fund. The board shall also electronically transmit a similar list of candidates who the board determines are eligible to receive a grant under s. 11.50 (9) (b), (ba), or (bb) within 24 hours after any candidate qualifies to receive such a grant. Each list shall contain each candidate's name, the mailing address indicated upon the candidate's registration form, the office for which the individual is a candidate and the party or principle which he or she represents, if any.

(cm) As soon as possible after the canvass of a special primary, or the date that the primary would be held, if required, transmit to the state treasurer a certified list of all eligible candidates for state office who have filed applications under s. 11.50 (2) and whom who the board determines to be are eligible to receive a grant from the Wisconsin election campaign fund prior to the election. The board shall also transmit a similar list of candidates, if any, who have filed applications under s. 11.50 (2) and whom who the board determines to be are eligible to receive a grant under s. 11.50 (1) (a) 2. after the special election. The board shall electronically transmit a similar list of candidates who the board determines are eligible to receive a grant under s. 11.50 (9) (b), (ba), or (bb) within 24 hours after any candidate qualifies to receive such a grant. Each list shall contain each candidate's name, the mailing address indicated upon the candidate's registration form, the office for which the individual is a candidate and the party or principle which he or she represents, if any.

b2706/6.2 **Section 1ed.** 7.08 (2) (cs) of the statutes is created to read:

7.08 (2) (cs) In each even-numbered year, certify to the state treasurer for the period beginning with the month following certification and ending with the month in which the next certification is made by the board:

- 1. No later than July 1, the name of each political party that qualifies under s. 11.50 (1) (am) 1. as an eligible political party as of the preceding June 1 and whose state chairperson has filed a request to establish an account for the party under s. 11.50 (2s) (a).
- 2. No later than December 15, the name of each political party that qualifies under s. 11.50 (1) (am) 2. as an eligible political party as of the date of the preceding general election and whose state chairperson has filed a written request to establish an account for the party under s. 11.50 (2s) (a).

| * b2706/6.2 * SECTION 1ee. 8.10 (3) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read: |
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| 8.10 (3) (intro.) The certification of a qualified elector under s. 8.15 (4) (a) shall |
| be appended to each nomination paper. The Except as otherwise required under s. |
| 11.50 (4m) for a candidate who seeks a grant from the Wisconsin election campaign |
| fund, the number of required signatures on nomination papers filed under this |
| section is: |
| * b2706/6.2 * Section 1ef. 8.15 (6) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read: |
| 8.15 (6) (intro.) The Except as otherwise required under s. 11.50 (4m) for a |
| candidate who seeks a grant from the Wisconsin election campaign fund, the number |
| of required signatures on nomination papers shall be as follows: |
| * b2706/6.2* SECTION 1eg. 8.20 (4) of the statutes is amended to read: |
| 8.20 (4) The Except as otherwise required under s. 11.50 (4m) for a candidate |
| who seeks a grant from the Wisconsin election campaign fund, the number of |
| required signatures on nomination papers for independent candidates shall be the |
| same as the number specified in s. 8.15 (6). For independent presidential electors |
| intending to vote for the same candidates for president and vice president, the |
| number of required signatures shall be not less than 2,000 nor more than 4,000 |
| electors. |
| * b2706/6.2 * Section 1eh. 8.30 (2) of the statutes is amended to read: |
| 8.30 (2) If no registration statement has been filed by or on behalf of a candidate |
| for state or local office in accordance with s. 11.05 (2g) or (2r) by the applicable |
| deadline for filing nomination papers by $\frac{\text{such } \underline{\text{the}}}{\text{candidate}}$, or the deadline for filing |
| a declaration of candidacy for an office for which nomination papers are not filed, the |
| name of the candidate may not appear on the ballot. This subsection may not be |

construed to exempt a candidate from applicable penalties if he or she files a registration statement later than the time prescribed in ss. 11.01 (1) and 11.05 (2g).

***b2706/6.2* Section 1ej.** 8.35 (4) (a) 1. a. and b. of the statutes are amended to read:

8.35 (4) (a) 1. a. Donated to the former candidate's local or state political party if If the former candidate was a partisan candidate or, donated to the former candidate's local or state political party, donated to the a charitable organization of the former candidate's choice or the charitable organization chosen or transferred to the board for deposit in the Wisconsin election campaign fund, as instructed by the former candidate or, if the candidate left no instruction, by the former candidate's next of kin if the former candidate is deceased, or if no choice is made returned to the donors on a proportional basis; or

b. If the former candidate was a nonpartisan candidate, donated to the a charitable organization of the former candidate's choice or the charitable organization chosen or transferred to the board for deposit in the Wisconsin election campaign fund, as instructed by the former candidate or, if the candidate left no instruction, by the former candidate's next of kin if the former candidate is deceased; or

b2706/6.2 SECTION 1ek. 8.35 (4) (c) and (d) of the statutes are amended to read:

8.35 (4) (c) The transfer to the replacement candidate under par. (b) shall be made and reported to the appropriate filing officer in a special report submitted by the former candidate's campaign treasurer. If the former candidate is deceased and was serving as his or her own campaign treasurer, the former candidate's petitioner or personal representative shall file the report and make the transfer required by

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par. (b), if any and file the report. The report shall be made in the manner provided under s. 11.21 (16), if applicable, or otherwise at the appropriate interval under s. 11.20 (2) or (4) and shall include a complete statement of all contributions, disbursements and incurred obligations pursuant to s. 11.06 (1) covering the period from the day after the last date covered on the former candidate's most recent report to the date of disposition.

(d) The newly appointed candidate shall file his or her report in the manner provided under s. 11.21 (16), if applicable, or otherwise at the next appropriate interval under s. 11.20 (2) or (4) after his or her appointment. The appointed candidate shall include any transferred funds moneys in his or her first report.

b2706/6.2 **Section 1eL.** 11.001 (2m) of the statutes is created to read:

11.001 (2m) The legislature finds a compelling justification for minimal disclosure of all communications made near the time of an election that include a reference to a candidate at that election, an office to be filled at that election, or a political party in order to permit increased funding for candidates who are affected by those communications. This minimal disclosure burden is outweighed by the need to establish an effective funding mechanism for affected candidates to effectively respond to communications that may impact an election.

b2706/6.2 Section 1em. 11.01 (12s) of the statutes is repealed.

b2706/6.2 Section 1en. 11.01 (16) (a) 3. of the statutes is created to read:

11.01 (16) (a) 3. A communication that is made by means of one or more communications media, other than a communication that is exempt from reporting under s. 11.29, that is made during the period beginning on the 60th day preceding an election and ending on the date of that election and that includes a reference to a candidate whose name is certified under s. 7.08 (2) (a) or 8.50 (1) (d) to appear on

the ballot at that election, a reference to an office to be filled at that election, or a reference to a political party.

***b2706/6.2* Section 1ep.** 11.05 (1) of the statutes is renumbered 11.05 (1) (a) and amended to read:

11.05 (1) (a) Except as provided in s. 9.10 (2) (d), every committee, other than a personal campaign committee, and every political group subject to registration under s. 11.23 which that makes or accepts contributions, incurs obligations or makes disbursements in a calendar year in an aggregate amount in excess of \$25 shall file a statement with the appropriate filing officer giving the information required by sub. (3). In the case of any committee other than a personal campaign committee, the statement shall be filed by the treasurer. A personal campaign committee shall register under sub. (2g) or (2r).

b2706/6.2 **Section 1eq.** 11.05 (1) (b) of the statutes is created to read:

11.05 (1) (b) Every political group subject to registration under s. 11.23 which makes or accepts contributions, incurs obligations, or makes disbursements in a calendar year in an aggregate amount in excess of \$100 shall file a statement with the appropriate filing officer giving the information required by sub. (3).

b2706/6.2 **SECTION 1er.** 11.05 (2) of the statutes is renumbered 11.05 (2) (a) and amended to read:

11.05 (2) (a) Except as provided in s. 9.10 (2) (d), every individual, other than a candidate or agent of a candidate, who accepts contributions, incurs obligations, or makes disbursements with respect to one or more elections for state or local office in a calendar year in an aggregate amount in excess of \$25 shall file a statement with the appropriate filing officer giving the information required by sub. (3). An individual who guarantees a loan on which an individual, committee or group subject

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1 to a registration requirement defaults is not subject to registration under this subsection solely as a result of such default.

b2706/6.2 **Section 1es.** 11.05 (2) (b) of the statutes is created to read:

11.05 (2) (b) Every individual who accepts contributions, incurs obligations, or makes disbursements with respect to one or more referenda in a calendar year in an aggregate amount in excess of \$100 shall file a statement with the appropriate filing officer giving the information required by sub. (3).

b2706/6.2 **SECTION 1et.** 11.05 (2r) (title) of the statutes is renumbered 11.06 (2m) (title).

b2706/6.2 **SECTION 1eu.** 11.05 (2r) of the statutes is renumbered 11.06 (2m) (a) and amended to read:

11.06 (2m) (a) Any person, committee or group, other than -a committee or an individual or committee required to file an oath under s. 11.06 (7), who or which does not anticipate accepting contributions, making disbursements or incurring obligations in an aggregate amount in excess of \$1,000 in a calendar year and does not anticipate accepting any contribution or contributions from a single source, other than contributions made by a candidate to his or her own campaign, exceeding \$100 in that year may indicate on its registration statement that the person, committee or group will not accept contributions, incur obligations or make disbursements in the aggregate in excess of \$1,000 in any calendar year and will not accept any contribution or contributions from a single source, other than contributions made by a candidate to his or her own campaign, exceeding \$100 in such any calendar year. Any registrant making such an indication is not subject to any filing requirement if the statement is true. The registrant need not file a termination report. A registrant not making such an indication on a registration statement is subject to a filing

requirement. The indication may be revoked and the registrant is then subject to a filing requirement as of the date of revocation, or the date that aggregate contributions, disbursements or obligations for the calendar year exceed \$1,000, or the date on which the registrant accepts any contribution or contributions exceeding \$100 from a single source, other than contributions made by a candidate to his or her own campaign, during that any calendar year, whichever is earlier. If the revocation is not timely, the registrant violates s. 11.27 (1).

b2706/6.2 **Section 1ev.** 11.05 (3) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

11.05 (3) (c) In the case of a committee, a statement as to whether the committee is a personal campaign committee, a political party committee, —a legislative campaign committee, a support committee or a special interest committee.

b2706/6.2 **Section 1ew.** 11.05 (3) (m) of the statutes is created to read:

11.05 (3) (m) In the case of a personal campaign committee, the name of the candidate on whose behalf the committee was formed or intends to operate and the office or offices that the candidate seeks.

b2706/6.2 **Section 1ex.** 11.05 (3) (o) of the statutes is repealed.

b2706/6.2 Section 1ey. 11.05 (3) (r) of the statutes is created to read:

11.05 (3) (r) In the case of a candidate or personal campaign committee of a candidate, the telephone number or numbers and a facsimile transmission number or electronic mail address, if any, at which the candidate may be contacted.

b2706/6.2 **Section 1fc.** 11.05 (5) of the statutes is amended to read:

11.05 (5) Change of information. Any change in information previously submitted in a statement of registration shall be reported by the registrant to the appropriate filing officer within 10 days following the change. This period does not

apply in case of change of an indication made under sub. (2r) s. 11.06 (2m), which shall be reported no later than the date that a registrant is subject to a filing requirement under sub. (2r) s. 11.06 (2m). Any such change may be reported only by the individual or by the officer who has succeeded to the position of an individual who signed the original statement; but in the case of a personal campaign committee, a candidate or campaign treasurer may report a change in the statement except as provided in s. 11.10 (2), and in the case of any other committee or group, the chief executive officer or treasurer indicated on the statement may report a change. If a preexisting support committee is adopted by a candidate as his or her personal campaign committee, the candidate shall file an amendment to the committee's statement under this subsection indicating that all information contained in the statement is true, correct and complete.

b2706/6.2 Section 1fd. 11.05 (9) (title) of the statutes is repealed and recreated to read:

11.05 (9) (title) Deposit of contributions; conduits.

b2706/6.2 **SECTION 1fe.** 11.05 (12) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

11.05 (12) (b) Except as authorized under sub. (13), a committee, group or individual other than a candidate or agent of a candidate shall comply with sub. (1) or (2) no later than the 5th business day commencing after receipt of the first contribution by such committee, group or individual, and before making any disbursement. No committee, group or individual, other than a candidate or agent of a candidate, may accept any contribution or contributions exceeding \$25 in the aggregate the amount specified in sub. (1) or (2) during a calendar year at any time when the committee, group or individual is not registered under this section except within the initial 5-day period authorized by this paragraph.

b2706/6.2 **Section 1ff.** 11.05 (13) of the statutes is amended to read:

or group does not violate this section by accepting a contribution and making a disbursement in the amount required to rent a postal box, or in the minimum amount required by a bank or trust company to open a checking account, prior to the time of registration, if the disbursement is properly reported on the first report submitted under s. 11.20 or 11.21 (16) after the date that the individual, committee or group is registered, whenever a reporting requirement applies to the registrant.

b2706/6.2 **SECTION 1fg.** 11.06 (1) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

11.06 (1) Contents of Report. (intro.) Except as provided in subs. (2), (2m), (3) and (3m) and ss.11.05 (2r) and s. 11.19 (2), each registrant under s. 11.05 shall make full reports, upon a form prescribed by the board and signed by the appropriate individual under sub. (5), of all contributions received, contributions or disbursements made, and obligations incurred. Each report shall contain the following information, covering the period since the last date covered on the previous report, unless otherwise provided:

b2706/6.2 **SECTION 1fh.** 11.06 (1) (e) of the statutes is amended to read:

11.06 (1) (e) An itemized statement of contributions over \$20 from a single source donated to a charitable organization or to the common school fund, with the full name and mailing address of the donee, and a statement of contributions over \$20 transferred to the board for deposit in the Wisconsin election campaign fund.

b2706/6.2 **Section 1fj.** 11.06 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

11.06 (2) DISCLOSURE OF CERTAIN INDIRECT DISBURSEMENTS. Notwithstanding sub. (1), if a disbursement is made or obligation incurred by an individual other than a candidate or by a committee or group which is not primarily organized for political

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purposes, and the disbursement does not constitute a contribution to any candidate or other individual, committee or group, the disbursement or obligation is required to be reported only if the purpose is to expressly advocate the election or defeat of a clearly identified candidate or the adoption or rejection of a referendum. The exemption provided by this subsection shall in no case be construed to apply to a political party, legislative campaign, personal campaign or support committee.

b2706/6.2 Section 1fk. 11.06 (2m) (b) to (d) of the statutes are created to read:

11.06 (2m) (b) Any individual or committee who or which is required to file an oath under s. 11.06 (7) and who or which accepts contributions, makes disbursements or incurs obligations for the purpose of supporting or opposing one or more candidates for state office and who or which does not anticipate accepting contributions, making disbursements or incurring obligations in an aggregate amount in excess of \$1,000 in a calendar year and does not anticipate accepting any contribution or contributions from a single source exceeding \$100 in that year may indicate on its registration statement that the individual or committee will not accept contributions, incur obligations or make disbursements in the aggregate in excess of \$1,000 in any calendar year and will not accept any contribution or contributions from a single source exceeding \$100 in any calendar year. Any registrant making such an indication is not subject to any filing requirement if the statement is true. The registrant need not file a termination report. A registrant not making such an indication on a registration statement is subject to a filing requirement. The indication may be revoked and the registrant is then subject to a filing requirement as of the date of revocation, or the date on which aggregate contributions, disbursements or obligations for the calendar year exceed \$1,000, or

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the date on which the registrant accepts any contribution or contributions exceeding \$100 from a single source during any calendar year, whichever is earlier.

- (c) Any individual or committee who or which is required to file an oath under s. 11.06 (7) and who or which accepts contributions, makes disbursements or incurs obligations for the purpose of supporting or opposing one or more candidates for local office but not for the purpose of supporting or opposing any candidate for state office and who or which does not anticipate accepting contributions, making disbursements or incurring obligations in an aggregate amount in excess of \$100 in a calendar year may indicate on its registration statement that the individual or committee will not accept contributions, incur obligations or make disbursements in the aggregate in excess of \$100 in any calendar year and will not accept any contribution or contributions from a single source, other than contributions made by a candidate to his or her own campaign, exceeding \$100 in any calendar year. Any registrant making such an indication is not subject to any filing requirement if the statement is true. The registrant need not file a termination report. A registrant not making such an indication on a registration statement is subject to a filing requirement. The indication may be revoked and the registrant is then subject to a filing requirement as of the date of revocation, or the date that aggregate contributions, disbursements or obligations for the calendar year exceed \$100. whichever is earlier.
- (d) If a revocation by a registrant under this subsection is not timely, the registrant violates s. 11.27 (1).

b2706/6.2 **Section 1fL.** 11.06 (4) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

11.06 (4) (b) Unless it is returned or donated within 15 days of receipt, a contribution must be reported as received and accepted on the date received. This

subsection paragraph applies notwithstanding the fact that the contribution is not deposited in the <u>a</u> campaign depository account by the closing date for the <u>a</u> reporting period as provided in s. 11.20 (8) or the reporting deadline provided in s. 11.21 (16).

b2706/6.2 **SECTION 1fm.** 11.06 (5) of the statutes is amended to read:

11.06 (5) Report must be complete. A registered individual or treasurer of a group or committee shall make a good faith effort to obtain all required information. The first report shall commence no later than the date that the first contribution is received and accepted or the first disbursement is made. Each report shall be filed with the appropriate filing officer on the dates designated in s. 11.20 and, if the registrant files reports under s. 11.21 (16), at the times specified in s. 11.21 (16). The individual or the treasurer of the group or committee shall certify to the correctness of each report. In the case of a candidate, the candidate or treasurer shall certify to the correctness of each report. If a treasurer is unavailable, any person designated as a custodian under s. 11.05 (3) (e) may certify to the correctness of a report.

b2706/6.2 **SECTION 1fn.** 11.06 (7m) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

11.06 (7m) (a) If a committee which was registered under s. 11.05 as a political party committee or legislative campaign committee supporting candidates of a political party files an oath under sub. (7) affirming that it does not act in cooperation or consultation with any candidate who is nominated to appear on the party ballot of the party at a general or special election, that the committee does not act in concert with, or at the request or suggestion of, such a candidate, that the committee does not act in cooperation or consultation with such a candidate or agent or authorized committee of such a candidate who benefits from a disbursement made in opposition to another candidate, and that the committee does not act in concert with, or at the request or suggestion of, such a candidate or agent or authorized committee of such

a candidate who benefits from a disbursement made in opposition to another candidate, the committee filing the oath may not make any contributions in support of any candidate of the party at the general or special election or in opposition to any such candidate's opponents exceeding the amounts specified in s. 11.26 (2), except as authorized in par. (c).

b2706/6.2 **SECTION 1fp.** 11.06 (7m) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

11.06 (7m) (c) A committee filing an oath under sub. (7) which desires to change its status to a political party committee or legislative campaign committee may do so as of December 31 of any even–numbered year. Section 11.26 does not apply to contributions received by such a committee prior to the date of the change. Such a committee may change its status at other times only by filing a termination statement under s. 11.19 (1) and reregistering as a newly organized committee under s. 11.05.

b2706/6.2 **Section 1fq.** 11.06 (11) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

11.06 (11) (c) A contribution of money received from a conduit, accompanied by the information required under par. (a), is considered to be a contribution from the original contributor for the purposes of ss. 11.26 (1) and (4) and 11.50 (2) (b) 5.

b2706/6.2 **Section 1fr.** 11.07 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

11.07 (1) Every nonresident committee or group making contributions and every nonresident individual, committee or group making disbursements exceeding \$25 cumulatively the amount specified in s. 11.05 (1) or (2) in a calendar year within this state shall file the name, mailing and street address and the name and the mailing and street address of a designated agent within the state with the office of the secretary of state. An agent may be any adult individual who is a resident of this state. After any change in the name or address of such agent the new address or

name of the successor agent shall be filed within 30 days. Service of process in any proceeding under this chapter or ch. 12, or service of any other notice or demand may be made upon such agent.

b2706/6.2 **Section 1fs.** 11.07 (5) of the statutes is amended to read:

11.07 (5) Any campaign treasurer or individual who knowingly receives a contribution made by an unregistered nonresident in violation of this section may not use or expend such contribution but shall immediately return it to the source or at the option of the campaign treasurer or individual, donate the contribution to a charitable organization or to the common school fund or transfer the contribution to the board for deposit in the Wisconsin election campaign fund.

b2706/6.2 Section 1ft. 11.09 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

11.09 (3) Each registrant whose filing officer is the board, who or which makes disbursements in connection with elections for offices which serve or referenda which affect only one county or portion thereof, except a candidate, personal campaign committee, political party committee or other committee making disbursements in support of or in opposition to a candidate for state senator, representative to the assembly, court of appeals judge or circuit judge, shall file a duplicate original of each financial report filed with the board with the county clerk or board of election commissioners of the county in which the elections in which the registrant participates are held. Such reports shall be filed no later than the dates specified under s. 11.20 (2) and (4) for the filing of each report with the board. This subsection does not apply to a registrant who or which files reports under s. 11.21 (16).

b2706/6.2 **Section 1fu.** 11.10 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

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11.10 (1) Each candidate in an election shall appoint one campaign treasurer. Except as provided in s. 11.14 (3), each candidate shall designate one campaign depository account within 5 business days after the candidate receives his or her first contribution and before the candidate makes or authorizes any disbursement in behalf of his or her candidacy. If a candidate adopts a preexisting support committee as his or her personal campaign committee, the candidate shall make such designation within 5 business days of adoption. The person designated as campaign treasurer shall be the treasurer of the candidate's personal campaign committee, if any. The candidate may appoint himself or herself or any other elector as campaign treasurer. A registration statement under s. 11.05 (2g) or (2r) must be filed jointly by every candidate and his or her campaign treasurer. The candidate does not qualify for ballot placement until this requirement is met. Except as authorized under s. 11.06 (5), the campaign treasurer or candidate shall certify as to the correctness of each report required to be filed, and the candidate bears the responsibility for the accuracy of each report for purposes of civil liability under this chapter, whether or not the candidate certifies it personally.

b2706/6.2 **Section 1fv.** 11.12 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

11.12 (2) Any anonymous contribution exceeding \$10 received by a campaign or committee treasurer or by an individual under s. 11.06 (7) may not be used or expended. The contribution shall be donated to the common school fund or to any charitable organization or transferred to the board for deposit in the Wisconsin election campaign fund, at the option of the treasurer.

b2706/6.2 Section 1fw. 11.12 (2m) of the statutes is created to read:

11.12 (2m) If the campaign treasurer of a registrant receives a contribution in the form of money that is made by an individual who has made contributions to the

registrant cumulatively within a calendar year exceeding \$100 in amount or value, and the contributor has not provided to the treasurer the information required under s. 11.06 (1) (b), the treasurer shall obtain the information from the contributor before depositing the contribution in the campaign depository account. If the treasurer does not receive the information within the period prescribed under s. 11.14 (1), the treasurer shall return the contribution to the contributor.

b2706/6.2 **Section 1fx.** 11.12 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:

11.12 (4) Each registrant shall report contributions, disbursements and incurred obligations in accordance with s. 11.20 and, if the registrant files reports under s. 11.21 (16), in accordance with s. 11.21 (16). Except as permitted under s. 11.06 (2), (3) and (3m), each report shall contain the information which is required under s. 11.06 (1).

b2706/6.2 **Section 1gc.** 11.12 (5) of the statutes is amended to read:

11.12 (5) If any contribution or contributions of \$500 or more cumulatively are received by a candidate for state office or by a committee or individual from a single contributor later than 15 days prior to a primary or election such that it is not included in the preprimary or preelection report submitted under s. 11.20 (3), the treasurer of the committee or the individual receiving the contribution shall within 24 hours of receipt inform the appropriate filing officer of the information required under s. 11.06 (1) in such manner as the board may prescribe. The information shall also be included in the treasurer's or individual's next regular report. For purposes of the reporting requirement under this subsection, only contributions received during the period beginning with the day after the last date covered on the preprimary or preelection report, and ending with the day before the primary or

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election need be reported. This subsection does not apply to a registrant who or which files reports under s. 11.21 (16).

b2706/6.2 **SECTION 1gd.** 11.12 (6) of the statutes is renumbered 11.12 (6) (a) and amended to read:

11.12 (6) (a) If any an individual or committee incurs an obligation or makes a disbursement of more than \$20 cumulatively is made to advocate the election or defeat of a clearly identified candidate by an individual or committee later than 15 days prior to a primary or election in which the candidate's name appears on the ballot without cooperation or consultation with a candidate or agent or authorized committee of a candidate who is supported or whose opponent is opposed, and not in concert with or at the request or suggestion of such a candidate, agent or committee, the individual or treasurer of the committee shall, within 24 hours of after incurring the obligation or making the disbursement, inform the appropriate filing officer of the information required under s. 11.06 (1) in such manner as the board may prescribe. The information shall also be included in the next regular report of the individual or committee under s. 11.20. For purposes of this subsection, paragraph, obligations and disbursements cumulate beginning with the day after the last date covered on the preprimary or preelection report and ending with the day before the primary or election. Upon receipt of a report under this subsection paragraph, the filing officer shall, within 24 hours of receipt, mail a copy of the report to all candidates for any office in support of or opposition to one of whom -a an incurred obligation or disbursement identified in the report is incurred or made. A committee that files a report pertaining to a disbursement under par. (c) is not required to file a report pertaining to the same disbursement under this paragraph. This paragraph does not apply to a committee that files reports under s. 11.21 (16).

b2706/6.2 **SECTION 1ge.** 11.12 (6) (c) and (d) of the statutes are created to read:

11.12 (6) (c) 1. If any committee identified under s. 11.05 (3) (c) as a special interest committee, other than a conduit, intends to receive any contribution, make any disbursement, or incur any obligation to make a disbursement for the purpose of advocating the election or defeat of a clearly identified candidate for a state office specified in s. 11.31 (1) (a) to (de), (e), or (f) at the general or a special election, or any such candidate who seeks a nomination for such an office at a primary election, or for a purpose described in s. 11.01 (16) (a) 3., without cooperation or consultation with a candidate or agent or authorized committee of a candidate who is supported or whose opponent is opposed, and not in concert with or at the request or suggestion of such a candidate, agent, or committee, the committee shall report to the board at the times specified in s. 11.20 (2s), in such manner as the board may prescribe, the name of each candidate who is supported or whose opponent is opposed and the total amount of contributions to be received, disbursements to be made, and obligations to be incurred for such a purpose in support or opposition to that candidate during the 21-day period following the date on which the report is due to be filed.

2. A committee which is required to file reports under this paragraph shall also report to the board, at the times specified in s. 11.20 (2t), in such manner as the board may prescribe, the amount and date of each contribution received, disbursement made, or obligation incurred for the purpose of advocating the election or defeat of a candidate specified in this paragraph in the manner specified in this paragraph, and the name of the candidate in support of or in opposition to whom the contribution was received, disbursement made, or obligation incurred, during the 21-day period ending on each date specified in s. 11.20 (2t).

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- 3. A committee which files a report under this paragraph concerning a disbursement is not required to file a report pertaining to the same disbursement under par. (a).
- (d) All information reported by a registrant under this subsection shall also be included in the next regular report of the registrant under s. 11.20.

b2706/6.2 **Section 1gf.** 11.12 (8) and (9) of the statutes are created to read:

11.12 (8) If a candidate for a state office specified in s. 11.31 (1) (a) to (de), (e), or (f) who does not accept a grant under s. 11.50 makes any disbursement after that candidate has accumulated cash in his or her campaign depository account or has made disbursements during his or her campaign, as defined in s. 11.31 (7), exceeding a combined total of 75% of the amount specified in s. 11.31 (1) (a) to (de), (e), or (f), as adjusted under s. 11.31 (9), for the office that the candidate seeks, that candidate or the candidate's personal campaign committee shall file daily reports with the board and with each candidate whose name is certified to appear on the ballot for the office in connection with which the disbursement is made, by electronic mail or facsimile transmission, on each day beginning with that date or the 7th day after the primary election or the date that a primary would be held, if required, whichever is later, and ending on the date of the election at which the candidate seeks office. Each report shall contain information pertaining to each disbursement made by the candidate or committee and shall be filed no later than 24 hours after that disbursement is made. Each report shall include the same information concerning each disbursement that is required to be reported for other disbursements under s. 11.06 (1). The information shall also be included in the next regular report of the candidate or committee under s. 11.20.

(9) Whenever a report is required to be filed with a candidate by electronic mail or facsimile transmission under this section, the report shall be filed at the address or number of the candidate or personal campaign committee as shown on the registration statement of the candidate or committee. If no electronic mail address or facsimile transmission number is shown, the report shall be filed at the mailing address shown on the statement.

b2706/6.2 **SECTION 1gg.** 11.14 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

11.14 (3) Notwithstanding sub. (1), any candidate who serves as his or her own campaign treasurer and who is authorized to make and makes an indication on his or her registration statement under s. 11.05 (2r) 11.06 (2m) that he or she will not accept contributions, make disbursements or incur obligations in an aggregate amount exceeding \$1,000 in a calendar year, and will not accept any contribution or contributions from a single source, other than contributions made by the candidate to his or her own campaign, exceeding \$100 in a calendar year, may designate a single personal account as his or her campaign depository account, and may intermingle personal and other funds with campaign funds. If a separate depository account is later established by the candidate, the candidate shall transfer all campaign funds in the personal account to the new depository account. Disbursements made from such personal account need not be identified in accordance with s. 11.16 (3).

b2706/6.2 **SECTION 1gh.** 11.16 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

11.16 (2) LIMITATION ON CASH CONTRIBUTIONS. Every contribution of money exceeding \$50 shall be made by negotiable instrument or evidenced by an itemized credit card receipt bearing on the face the name of the remitter. No treasurer may accept a contribution made in violation of this subsection. The treasurer shall promptly return the contribution, or donate it the contribution to the common school

fund or to a charitable organization or transfer the contribution to the board for deposit in the Wisconsin election campaign fund in the event that the donor cannot be identified.

b2706/6.2 **SECTION 1gj.** 11.16 (5) of the statutes is amended to read:

11.16 (5) Escrow agreements. Any personal campaign committee, or political party committee or legislative campaign committee may, pursuant to a written escrow agreement with more than one candidate, solicit contributions for and conduct a joint fund raising effort or program on behalf of more than one named candidate. The agreement shall specify the percentage of the proceeds to be distributed to each candidate by the committee conducting the effort or program. The committee shall include this information in all solicitations for the effort or program. All contributions received and disbursements made by the committee in connection with the effort or program shall be received and disbursed through a separate depository account under s. 11.14 (1) that is identified in the agreement. For purposes of s. 11.06 (1), the committee conducting the effort or program shall prepare a schedule in the form prescribed by the board supplying all required information under s. 11.06 (1) and items qualifying for exclusion under s. 11.31 (6) for the effort or program, and shall transmit a copy of the schedule to each candidate who receives any of the proceeds within the period prescribed in s. 11.06 (4) (c).

b2706/6.2 Section 1gk. 11.19 (title) of the statutes is amended to read:

11.19 (title) Dissolution Carry-over of surplus funds; dissolution of registrants; termination reports.

b2706/6.2 **SECTION 1gL.** 11.19 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

11.19 (1) Whenever any registrant disbands or determines that obligations will no longer be incurred, and contributions will no longer be received nor disbursements

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made during a calendar year, and the registrant has no outstanding incurred obligations, the registrant shall file a termination report with the appropriate filing officer. Such report shall indicate a cash balance on hand of zero at the end of the reporting period and shall indicate the disposition of residual funds. Residual funds may be used for any political purpose not prohibited by law, returned to the donors in an amount not exceeding the original contribution, transferred to the board for deposit in the Wisconsin election campaign fund or donated to a charitable organization or the common school fund. The report shall be filed and certified as were previous reports, and shall contain the information required by s. 11.06 (1). A registrant to which s. 11.055 (1) applies shall pay the fee imposed under that subsection with a termination report filed under this subsection. If a termination report or suspension report under sub. (2) is not filed, the registrant shall continue to file periodic reports with the appropriate filing officer, no later than the dates specified in s. 11.20 and, if the registrant files reports under s. 11.21 (16), no later than the times specified in s. 11.21 (16). This subsection does not apply to any registrant making an indication under s. 11.05 (2r) 11.06 (2m).

b2706/6.2 **Section 1gm.** 11.20 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

11.20 (1) All reports required by s. 11.06 which relate to activities which promote or oppose candidates for state office or statewide referenda and all reports under s. 11.08 shall be filed with the board. All reports required by s. 11.06 which relate to activities which promote or oppose candidates for local office or local referenda shall be filed with the appropriate filing officer under s. 11.02, except reports filed under s. 11.08. Each registrant shall file the reports required by this section. If the registrant is subject to a requirement under s. 11.21 (16) to report electronically the same information that is reportable under this section, the

| 1 | registrant shall, in addition, file the reports required by this section recorded on a |
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| 2 | medium specified by the board. |
| 3 | * b2706/6.2 * SECTION 1gn. 11.20 (2s) of the statutes is created to read: |
| 4 | 11.20 (2s) A registrant who or which is required to file reports under s. 11.12 |
| 5 | (6) (c) 1. with respect to a candidate at the general election shall file the reports on |
| 6 | the 63rd, 42nd, and 21st day prior to that election. A registrant who is required to |
| 7 | file reports under s. 11.12 (6) (c) 1. with respect to a special election shall file a report |
| 8 | on the 21st day prior to that election. |
| 9 | * b2706/6.2 * Section 1gp. 11.20 (2t) of the statutes is created to read: |
| 10 | 11.20 (2t) A registrant who or which is required to file reports under s. 11.12 |
| 11 | (6) (c) 2. with respect to a candidate at the general election shall file the reports no |
| 12 | later than the 39th and 18th days prior to that election. A registrant who or which |
| 13 | is required to file reports under s. 11.12 (6) (c) 2. with respect to a candidate at a |
| 14 | special election shall file the reports no later than the 18th day prior to that election. |
| 15 | *b2706/6.2* Section 1gq. 11.20 (7) of the statutes is amended to read: |
| 16 | 11.20 (7) In Except as otherwise required under s. 11.21 (16), in the event that |
| 17 | any report is required to be filed under this section chapter on a nonbusiness day, it |
| 18 | may be filed on the next business day thereafter. |
| 19 | *b2706/6.2* Section 1gr. 11.20 (9) of the statutes is amended to read: |
| 20 | 11.20 (9) Except as provided in ss. $\frac{11.05 (2r)}{11.06 (2m)}$ and 11.19 (2), the duty |
| 21 | to file reports under this section continues until a termination report is filed in |
| 22 | accordance with s. 11.19. |
| 23 | *b2706/6.2* Section 1gs. 11.20 (10) (a) of the statutes is amended to read: |
| 24 | 11.20 (10) (a) Where a requirement is imposed under this section for the filing |
| 25 | of a financial report which is to be received by the appropriate filing officer no later |

than a certain date, the requirement may be satisfied either by actual receipt of the report by the prescribed time for filing at the office of the filing officer, or by filing a report with the U.S. postal service by first class mail with sufficient prepaid postage, addressed to the appropriate filing officer, no later than the 3rd day before the date provided by law for receipt of such report.

b2706/6.2 **Section 1gt.** 11.20 (12) of the statutes is amended to read:

11.20 (12) If a candidate is unopposed in a primary or election, the obligation to file the reports required by this chapter does not cease. Except as provided in ss. 11.05 (2r) 11.06 (2m) and 11.19 (2), a registrant who makes or receives no contributions, makes no disbursements or incurs no obligations shall so report on the dates designated in subs. (2) and (4).

b2706/6.2 **Section 1gu.** 11.21 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

11.21 (2) Furnish to each registrant prescribed forms for the making of reports and statements. Forms shall be sent by 1st class mail not earlier than 21 days and not later than 14 days prior to the applicable filing deadline under s. 11.20, and addressed to the attention of the treasurer or other person indicated on the registration statement. Forms need not be sent to a registrant who has made an indication that aggregate contributions, disbursements and obligations will not exceed the amount specified under s. 11.05 (2r) 11.06 (2m) or to a registrant who has been granted a suspension under s. 11.19 (2). Forms for reports shall not be sent by the board to a registrant if the registrant is required to file reports with the board in an electronic format. Whenever any notice of filing requirements under this chapter is sent to a candidate's campaign treasurer, the board shall also send a notice to the candidate if he or she has appointed a separate treasurer. Failure to receive any form or notice does not exempt a registrant from compliance with this chapter.

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b2706/6.2 **Section 1gv.** 11.21 (15) of the statutes is amended to read:

11.21 (15) Inform each candidate who files an application to become eligible to receive a grant from the Wisconsin election campaign fund of the dollar amount of the applicable disbursement limitation under s. 11.31 (1) or (1m), adjusted as provided under s. 11.31 (9), which applies to the office for which such person is a candidate. Failure to receive the notice required by this subsection does not constitute a defense to a violation of s. 11.27 (1) or 11.31.

b2706/6.2 **Section 1gw.** 11.21 (16) of the statutes is amended to read:

11.21 (16) Require each registrant for whom the board serves as filing officer and who or which accepts contributions in a total amount or value of \$20,000 or more during a campaign period to file each campaign finance report that is required to be filed under this chapter in an electronic format, and accept from any other registrant for whom the board serves as a filing officer any campaign finance report that is required to be filed under this chapter in an electronic format. A registrant who or which becomes subject to a requirement to file reports in an electronic format under this subsection shall initially file the registrant's report in an electronic format for the period which includes the date on which the registrant becomes subject to the requirement or, if the registrant is required to report transactions within 24 hours of their occurrence, within 24 hours after the date on which the registrant becomes subject to the requirement. To facilitate implementation of this subsection, the board shall specify, by rule, a type of software that is suitable for compliance with the electronic filing requirement under this subsection. The board shall provide copies of the software to registrants at a price fixed by the board that may not exceed cost. Each registrant who or which files a report under this subsection in an electronic format shall also file a copy of the report with the board that is recorded on a medium

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specified by the board. The copy shall be signed by an authorized individual and filed with the board by each registrant no later than the time prescribed for filing of the report under this chapter. If a registrant is a committee, the copy shall be certified by an authorized individual and filed with the board by the registrant no later than 24 hours after the occurrence of any transaction that is reportable under s. 11.06 (1). If a registrant or other person becomes subject to a requirement to report electronically under this subsection, the registrant or other person shall continue to report electronically regardless of the amount of contributions accepted or expenditures made by the registrant or other person, until a termination report is filed. The board shall provide complete instructions to any registrant who or which files a report under this subsection. In this subsection, the "campaign period" of a candidate, personal campaign committee or support committee begins and ends with the "campaign" of the candidate whose candidacy is supported, as defined in s. 11.26 (17), and the "campaign period" of any other registrant begins on January 1 of each odd-numbered year and ends on December 31 of the following year. Section 990.001 (4) does not apply to the computation of time permitted for compliance with the filing requirements under this subsection.

b2706/6.2 Section 1gx. 11.22 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

11.22 (3) Furnish to each registrant prescribed forms for the making of reports and statements. Forms shall be sent by 1st class mail not earlier than 21 days and not later than 14 days prior to the applicable filing deadline under s. 11.20 and addressed to the attention of the treasurer or other person indicated on the registration statement. Forms need not be sent to a registrant who has made an indication that aggregate contributions, disbursements and obligations will not exceed the amount specified under s. 11.05 (2r) 11.06 (2m) or to a registrant who has

been granted a suspension under s. 11.19 (2). Whenever any notice of the filing requirements under this chapter is sent to a candidate's campaign treasurer, the filing officer shall also send a notice to the candidate if he or she has appointed a separate treasurer. Failure to receive any form or notice does not exempt a registrant from compliance with this chapter.

b2706/6.2 **Section 1gy.** 11.23 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

11.23 (1) Any group or individual may promote or oppose a particular vote at any referendum in this state. Before making disbursements, receiving contributions or incurring obligations in excess of \$25 \$100 in the aggregate in a calendar year for such purposes, the group or individual shall file a registration statement under s. 11.05 (1), or (2) or (2r). In the case of a group the name and mailing address of each of its officers shall be given in the statement. Every group and every individual under this section shall designate a campaign depository account under s. 11.14. Every group shall appoint a treasurer, who may delegate authority but is jointly responsible for the actions of his or her authorized designee for purposes of civil liability under this chapter. The appropriate filing officer shall be notified by a group of any change in its treasurer within 10 days of the change under s. 11.05 (5). The treasurer of a group shall certify the correctness of each statement or report submitted by it under this chapter.

b2706/6.2 **Section 1hc.** 11.23 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

11.23 (2) Any anonymous contribution exceeding \$10 received by an individual or group treasurer may not be used or expended. The contribution shall be donated to the common school fund or to any charitable organization or transferred to the board for deposit in the Wisconsin election campaign fund, at the option of the treasurer.

***b2706/6.2* Section 1hd.** 11.24 (1w) of the statutes is created to read:

11.24 (1w) No candidate or personal campaign committee of a candidate who applies for a grant under s. 11.50 may accept any contribution from a committee other than a political party committee.

b2706/6.2 **Section 1he.** 11.24 (2) of the statutes is renumbered 11.24 (5).

b2706/6.2 **Section 1hf.** 11.24 (4) of the statutes is created to read:

11.24 (4) (a) No person may make a contribution to an incumbent partisan state elective official or to the personal campaign committee or support committee authorized under s. 11.05 (3) (p) of that official for the purpose of promoting that official's nomination or reelection to the office held by the official during the period beginning on the first Monday of January in each odd–numbered year and ending on the date of enactment of the biennial budget act.

(b) Notwithstanding par. (a), a person may make a contribution to an incumbent partisan state elective official against whom a recall petition has been filed during the period beginning on the date that the petition offered for filing is filed under s. 9.10 (3) (b) and ending on the date of the recall election unless the official resigns at an earlier date under s. 9.10 (3) (c).

b2706/6.2 **Section 1hg.** 11.25 (2) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

11.25 (2) (b) Notwithstanding par. (a), a registrant may accept contributions and make disbursements from a campaign depository account for the purpose of making expenditures in connection with a campaign for national office; for payment of civil penalties incurred by the registrant under this chapter <u>but not under any other chapter</u>; or for payment of the expenses of nonpartisan campaigns to increase voter registration or participation. Notwithstanding par. (a), a personal campaign committee or support committee may accept contributions and make disbursements

from a campaign depository account for payment of inaugural expenses of an individual who is elected to state or local office. If such expenses are paid from contributions made to the campaign depository account, they are reportable under s. 11.06 (1) as disbursements. Otherwise, such expenses are not reportable under s. 11.06 (1). If contributions from the campaign depository account are used for such expenses, they are subject to s. 11.26.

b2706/6.2 Section 1hh. 11.26 (1) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read: 11.26 (1) (intro.) No individual, except an individual serving as a conduit, may

11.26 (1) (intro.) No individual, except an individual serving as a conduit, may make any contribution or contributions to a candidate for election or nomination to any of the following offices and to any individual or committee under s. 11.06 (7) acting solely in support of such a candidate or solely in opposition to the candidate's opponent to the extent of more than a total of the amounts specified per candidate:

b2706/6.2 Section 1hj. 11.26 (2) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

11.26 (2) (intro.) No committee, other than a political party committee or legislative campaign committee, and no individual or committee serving as a conduit, may make any contribution or contributions to a candidate for election or nomination to any of the following offices and to any individual or committee under s. 11.06 (7) acting solely in support of such a candidate or solely in opposition to the candidate's opponent to the extent of more than a total of the amounts specified per candidate:

b2706/6.2 **SECTION 1hk.** 11.26 (2) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

11.26 (2) (a) Candidates for governor, lieutenant governor, secretary of state, state treasurer, attorney general, state superintendent or justice, 4% of the value of the disbursement level specified in the schedule under s. 11.31 (1) \$45,000.

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| 2 | read: |
| 3 | 11.26 (2) (ad) Candidates for lieutenant governor, \$15,000. |
| 4 | (am) Candidates for attorney general, \$25,000. |
| 5 | (au) Candidates for secretary of state, state treasurer, state superintendent, or |
| 6 | justice, \$10,000. |
| 7 | * b2706/6.2 * Section 1hm. 11.26 (4) of the statutes is amended to read: |
| 8 | 11.26 (4) No Except as provided in sub. (10), no individual, except an individual |
| 9 | serving as a conduit, may make any contribution or contributions to all candidates |
| 10 | for state and local offices and to any individuals who or committees which are subject |
| 11 | to a registration requirement under s. 11.05, including legislative campaign |
| 12 | committees and committees of a political party, to the extent of more than a total of |
| 13 | \$10,000 in any calendar year. |
| 14 | * b2706/6.2 * Section 1hn. 11.26 (8) of the statutes is amended to read: |
| 15 | 11.26 (8) (a) No political party as defined in s. 5.02 (13) may receive more than |
| 16 | a total of \$150,000 \$450,000 in value of its contributions in any biennium from all |
| 17 | other committees, excluding contributions from legislative campaign committees |
| 18 | and transfers between party committees of the party. In this paragraph, a biennium |
| 19 | commences with January 1 of each odd-numbered year and ends with December 31 |
| 20 | of each even-numbered year. |
| 21 | (b) No such political party may receive more than a total of \$6,000 \$18,000 in |
| 22 | value of its contributions in any calendar year from any specific committee or its |
| 23 | subunits or affiliates, excluding legislative campaign and political party committees. |
| 24 | (c) No committee, other than a political party or legislative campaign |
| 25 | committee, may make any contribution or contributions, directly or indirectly, to a |

| 1 | political party under s. $5.02(13)$ in a calendar year exceeding a total value of $\$6,000$ |
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| 2 | <u>\$18,000</u> . |
| 3 | *b2706/6.2* Section 1hp. 11.26 (8m) of the statutes is created to read: |
| 4 | 11.26 (8m) (a) Except as provided in par. (b), no committee may make a |
| 5 | contribution to any other committee except a political party, personal campaign, or |
| 6 | support committee. |
| 7 | (b) Paragraph (a) does not apply to any contribution made by a committee that |
| 8 | is affiliated with a labor organization to any other committee that is affiliated with |
| 9 | the same labor organization. |
| 10 | * b2706/6.2 * SECTION 1hq. 11.26 (9) (a) of the statutes is renumbered 11.26 (9) |
| 11 | (a) (intro.) and amended to read: |
| 12 | 11.26 (9) (a) (intro.) No individual who is a candidate for state or local office may |
| 13 | receive and accept more than 65% of the value of the total disbursement level |
| 14 | determined under s. 11.31 for the office for which he or she is a candidate the |
| 15 | following amount during any primary and election campaign combined from all |
| 16 | committees subject to a filing requirement, including political party and legislative |
| 17 | campaign committees.: |
| 18 | *b2706/6.2* Section 1hr. 11.26 (9) (a) 1. to 7. of the statutes are created to |
| 19 | read: |
| 20 | 11.26 (9) (a) 1. For a candidate for the office of governor, \$400,000. |
| 21 | 2. For a candidate for the office of lieutenant governor, \$100,000. |
| 22 | 3. For a candidate for the office of attorney general, \$100,000. |
| 23 | 4. For a candidate for the office of secretary of state, state treasurer, justice or |
| 24 | state superintendent, \$50,000. |

5. For a candidate for the office of state senator, \$24,000.

6. For a candidate for the office of representative to the assembly, \$12,000. 1 2 7. For a candidate for any other state or local office, 20% of the value of the total 3 disbursement level, as determined under s. 11.31 (1) and adjusted as provided under 4 s. 11.31 (9) but without respect to any adjustment under s. 11.31 (1m), for the office for which he or she is a candidate. 5 6 ***b2706**/**6.2*** **SECTION 1hs.** 11.26 (9) (b) of the statutes is renumbered 11.26 (9) 7 (b) (intro.) and amended to read: 8 11.26 (9) (b) (intro.) No individual who is a candidate for state or local office may 9 receive and accept more than 45% of the value of the total disbursement level 10 determined under s. 11.31 for the office for which he or she is a candidate the 11 following amount during any primary and election campaign combined from all 12 committees other than political party and legislative campaign committees subject 13 to a filing requirement.: *b2706/6.2* Section 1ht. 11.26 (9) (b) 1. to 7. of the statutes are created to 14 15 read: 11.26 (9) (b) 1. For a candidate for the office of governor, \$485,190. 16 17 2. For a candidate for the office of lieutenant governor, \$145,564. 18 3. For a candidate for the office of attorney general, \$242,550. 19 4. For a candidate for the office of secretary of state, state treasurer, justice or 20 state superintendent, \$97,031. 21 5. For a candidate for the office of state senator, \$15,525. 226. For a candidate for the office of representative to the assembly, \$7,763. 23 7. For a candidate for any other state or local office, 25% of the value of the total

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under s. 11.31 (9) but without respect to any adjustment under s. 11.31 (1m), for the office for which he or she is a candidate.

b2706/6.2 **Section 1hu.** 11.26 (9) (c) of the statutes is repealed.

b2706/6.2 **SECTION 1hv.** 11.26 (10) of the statutes is amended to read:

11.26 (10) No candidate for state office who files a sworn statement and application to receive a grant from the Wisconsin election campaign fund may make contributions of more than 200% of the amounts specified in sub. (1) to the candidate's own campaign from the candidate's personal funds or property or the personal funds or property which are owned jointly or as marital property with the candidate's spouse, unless the board determines that the candidate is not cligible to receive a grant, the candidate withdraws his or her application under s. 11.50(2)(h), or s. 11.50 (2) (i) applies. For purposes of this subsection, any contribution received by a candidate or his or her personal campaign committee from a committee which is registered with the federal elections commission as the authorized committee of the candidate under 2 USC 432 (e) shall be treated as a contribution made by the candidate to his or her own campaign. The contribution limit of sub. (4) applies to amounts contributed by such a candidate personally to the candidate's own campaign and to other campaigns, except that a candidate may exceed the limitation if authorized under this subsection to contribute more than the amount specified to the candidate's own campaign, up to the amount of the limitation.

b2706/6.2 **Section 1hw.** 11.26 (12m) of the statutes is amended to read:

11.26 (12m) For purposes of this section subs. (1) and (4), a contribution of money received from a conduit identified in the manner prescribed in s. 11.06 (11) (a) shall be considered a contribution received from the original contributor.

b2706/6.2 **S**ECTION **1hx.** 11.265 of the statutes is repealed.

| 1 | * b2706/6.2 * SECTION 1hy. 11.31 (1) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read: | | | | |
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| 2 | 11.31 (1) SCHEDULE. (intro.) The following levels of disbursements are | | | | |
| 3 | established with reference to the candidates listed below. The levels are subject to | | | | |
| 4 | adjustment under subs. (1m) and (9). Except as provided in sub. (2), such levels do | | | | |
| 5 | not operate to restrict the total amount of disbursements which are made or | | | | |
| 6 | authorized to be made by any candidate in any primary or other election. | | | | |
| 7 | *b2706/6.2* Section 1jc. 11.31 (1) (a) to (d) of the statutes are amended to | | | | |
| 8 | read: | | | | |
| 9 | 11.31 (1) (a) Candidates for governor, \$1,078,200 \$2,000,000. | | | | |
| 10 | (b) Candidates for lieutenant governor, \$323,475 \$500,000. | | | | |
| 11 | (c) Candidates for attorney general, \$539,000 \$700,000. | | | | |
| 12 | (d) Candidates for secretary of state, state treasurer, justice or state | | | | |
| 13 | superintendent, \$215,625 <u>\$250,000</u> . | | | | |
| 14 | *b2706/6.2* Section 1jd. 11.31 (1) (de) of the statutes is created to read: | | | | |
| 15 | 11.31 (1) (de) Candidates for justice, \$300,000. | | | | |
| 16 | *b2706/6.2* Section 1je. 11.31 (1) (e) and (f) of the statutes are amended to | | | | |
| 17 | read: | | | | |
| 18 | 11.31 (1) (e) Candidates for state senator, \$34,500 \$100,000 total in the primary | | | | |
| 19 | and election, with disbursements not exceeding \$21,575 \$72,000 for either the | | | | |
| 20 | primary or the election. | | | | |
| 21 | (f) Candidates for representative to the assembly, \$17,250 \$50,000 total in the | | | | |
| 22 | primary and election, with disbursements not exceeding $\$10,775$ $\$36,000$ for either | | | | |
| 23 | the primary or the election. | | | | |
| 24 | * b2706/6.2 * Section 1if. 11.31 (1m) of the statutes is created to read: | | | | |

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11.31 (1m) DISBURSEMENT LEVEL FOR CANDIDATES IN COMPETITIVE PARTISAN PRIMARY ELECTIONS. The total disbursement level for any candidate for a partisan office at a general or special election whose name appears on the ballot as a candidate for an office at a primary election preceding that election and who receives less than twice as many votes at that primary election as another candidate for the same office within the same political party, and who has an opponent in the general or special election who received at least 6% of the votes cast for all candidates for the office that the candidate seeks on all ballots at the September primary or any special primary preceding the general or special election, is 120% of the amount specified in sub. (1) for the candidate for the same office who receives the greatest number of votes in the primary election, as adjusted as provided in sub. (9).

b2706/6.2 **Section 1jg.** 11.31 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

11.31 (2) LIMITATION IMPOSED. No candidate for state office at a spring or general election who files a sworn statement and application to receive a grant from the Wisconsin election campaign fund may make or authorize total disbursements from the his or her campaign treasury in any campaign to the extent of more than the amount prescribed in sub. (1) or (1m), whichever is applicable, adjusted as provided under sub. (9), unless the board determines that the candidate is not eligible to receive a grant, the candidate withdraws his or her application under s. 11,50 (2) (h), or s. 11.50 (2) (i) sub. (3p) applies. No candidate for state office at a special election who files a sworn statement and application to receive a grant from the Wisconsin election campaign fund may make or authorize total disbursements from the his or her campaign treasury in any campaign to the extent of more than the amount prescribed under sub. (1), adjusted as provided under sub. (9), for the preceding spring or general election for the same office, unless the board determines that the

| 1 | candidate is not eligible to receive a grant, the candidate withdraws his or her |
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| 2 | application under s. 11.50 (2) (h), or s. 11.50 (2) (i) sub. (3p) applies. |
| 3 | * b2706/6.2 * Section 1jh. 11.31 (2m) of the statutes is repealed: |
| 4 | * b2706/6.2 * Section 1jj. 11.31 (3) of the statutes is amended to read: |
| 5 | 11.31 (3) Gubernatorial campaigns. For purposes of compliance with the |
| 6 | limitations imposed under sub. (2), candidates for governor and lieutenant governor |
| 7 | of the same political party who both accept grants from the Wisconsin election |
| 8 | campaign fund may agree to combine disbursement levels under sub. (1) (a) and (b), |
| 9 | adjusted as provided under sub. (9), and reallocate the total level between them. The |
| 10 | candidates shall each inform the board of any such agreement. |
| 11 | * b2706/6.2 * Section 1jk. 11.31 (3p) of the statutes is created to read: |
| 12 | 11.31 (3p) Candidates receiving additional grants; exception. If a candidate |
| 13 | receives a grant under s. 11.50 (9) (b), (ba), or (bb), the disbursement limitation of |
| 14 | that candidate for the campaign in which the grant is received is increased by the |
| 15 | amount of that grant. |
| 16 | * b2706/6.2 * Section 1jL. 11.31 (9) of the statutes is created to read: |
| 17 | 11.31 (9) Adjustment of disbursement levels. (a) In this subsection, |
| 18 | "consumer price index" means the average of the consumer price index over each |
| 19 | 12-month period, all items, U.S. city average, as determined by the bureau of labor |
| 20 | statistics of the U.S. department of labor. |
| 21 | (b) The dollar amounts of all disbursement limitations specified in sub. (1) shall |
| 22 | be subject to a cost-of-living adjustment to be determined by rule of the board in |
| 23 | accordance with this subsection. To determine the adjustment, the board shall |
| 24 | calculate the percentage difference between the consumer price index for the |

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consumer price index for calendar year 2003. For each biennium, the board shall adjust the disbursement limitations specified under sub. (1) by that percentage to the extent required to reflect any difference, rounded to the nearest multiple of \$25 in the case of amounts of \$1 or more, which amount shall be in effect until a subsequent rule is promulgated under this subsection. Notwithstanding s. 227.24 (1) (a), (2) (b), and (3), determinations under this subsection may be promulgated as an emergency rule under s. 227.24 without providing evidence that the emergency rule is necessary for the public peace, health, safety, or welfare, and without a finding of emergency. ***b2706/6.2*** **Section 1jm.** 11.38 (1) (a) 2. of the statutes is amended to read: 11.38 (1) (a) 2. Notwithstanding subd. 1., any such corporation or association may establish and administer a separate segregated fund and solicit contributions from individuals to the fund to be utilized by such corporation or association, for the purpose of supporting or opposing any candidate for state or local office but the corporation or association may not make any contribution to the fund. The fund shall appoint a treasurer and shall register as a political committee under s. 11.05. A parent corporation or association engaging solely in this activity is not subject to registration under s. 11.05, but shall register and file special reports on forms prescribed by the board disclosing its administrative and solicitation expenses on behalf of such fund. A corporation not domiciled in this state need report only its expenses for administration and solicitation of contributions in this state together with a statement indicating where information concerning other administration and solicitation expenses of its fund may be obtained. The reports shall be filed with the filing officer for the fund specified in s. 11.02 in the manner provided under s. 11.21 (16), if applicable, or otherwise in the manner in which continuing reports are filed under s. 11.20 (4) and (8).

b2706/6.2 Section 1jn. 11.38 (6) of the statutes is amended to read:

11.38 (6) Any individual or campaign treasurer who receives funds in violation of this section shall promptly return such funds to the contributor or, donate the funds to the common school fund or a charitable organization or transfer the funds to the board for deposit in the Wisconsin election campaign fund, at the treasurer's option.

b2706/6.2 **SECTION 1jp.** 11.38 (8) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

11.38 (8) (b) Except as authorized in s. 11.05 (12) (b) and (13), prior to making any disbursement on behalf of a political group which is promoting or opposing a particular vote at a referendum and prior to accepting any contribution or making any disbursement to promote or oppose a particular vote at a referendum, a corporation or association organized under ch. 185 shall register with the appropriate filing officer specified in s. 11.02 and appoint a treasurer. The registration form of the corporation or association under s. 11.05 shall designate an account separate from all other corporation or association accounts as a campaign depository account, through which all moneys received or expended for the adoption or rejection of the referendum shall pass. The corporation or association shall file periodic reports under s. 11.20 and under s. 11.21 (16), if applicable, providing the information required under s. 11.06 (1).

b2706/6.2 **SECTION 1jq.** 11.50 (1) (a) 1. (intro.) of the statutes is created to read:

11.50 (1) (a) 1. (intro.) For purposes of qualification for a grant from the general account:

b2706/6.2 SECTION 1jr. 11.50 (1) (a) 1. of the statutes is renumbered 11.50 (1) (a) 1. a.

| 1 | * b2706/6.2 * Section 1js. 11.50 (1) (a) 2. of the statutes is renumbered 11.50 |
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| 2 | (1) (a) 1. b. |
| 3 | * b2706/6.2 * Section 1jt. 11.50 (1) (a) 2m. of the statutes is created to read: |
| 4 | 11.50 (1) (a) 2m. For purposes of qualification for a grant from a political party |
| 5 | account, an individual who is certified under s. 7.08 (2) (a) in the general election or |
| 6 | a special election as the candidate of an eligible political party for a state office, other |
| 7 | than district attorney, or an individual who has been lawfully appointed and certified |
| 8 | to replace such an individual on the ballot at the general or a special election and who |
| 9 | has qualified for a grant under sub. (2). |
| 10 | * b2706/6.2 * Section 1ju. 11.50 (1) (am) of the statutes is created to read: |
| 11 | 11.50 (1) (am) "Eligible political party" means any of the following: |
| 12 | 1. A party qualifying under s. 5.62 (1) (b) for a separate ballot or one or more |
| 13 | separate columns or rows on a ballot for the period beginning on the date of the |
| 14 | preceding general election and ending on the day before the general election that |
| 15 | follows that election. |
| 16 | 2. A party qualifying under s. 5.62 (2) for a separate ballot or one or more |
| 17 | separate columns or rows on a ballot for the period beginning on the preceding June |
| 18 | 1, or if that June 1 is in an odd-numbered year, the period beginning on June 1 of the |
| 19 | preceding even–numbered year, and ending on May 31 of the 2nd year following that |
| 20 | June 1. |
| 21 | *b2706/6.2* Section 1jv. 11.50 (1) (bm) and (cm) of the statutes are created |
| 22 | to read: |
| 23 | 11.50 (1) (bm) "General account" means the account in the fund created under |
| 24 | sub. (2w). |

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1 (cm) "Political party account" means an account in the fund created under sub.
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b2706/6.2 **SECTION 1jw.** 11.50 (2) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

11.50 (2) (a) Any individual who desires to qualify as an eligible candidate may file an application with the board requesting approval to participate in the fund. The application shall be filed no later than the applicable deadline for filing nomination papers under s. 8.10(2)(a), 8.15(1), 8.20(8)(a) or 8.50(3)(a), no later than 4:30 p.m. on the 7th day after the primary or date on which the primary would be held if required in the case of write-in candidates, or no later than 4:30 p.m. on the 7th day after appointment in the case of candidates appointed to fill vacancies. The application shall contain a sworn statement that the candidate and his or her authorized agents have complied with the contribution limitations prescribed in s. 11.26 and the disbursement limitations prescribed imposed under s. 11.31 (2), as adjusted under s. 11.31 (9), at all times to which such limitations have applied to his or her candidacy and will continue to comply with the limitations at all times to which the limitations apply to his or her candidacy for the office in contest, unless the board determines that the candidate is not eligible to receive a grant, the candidate withdraws his or her application under par. (h), or par. (i) s. 11.31 (3p) applies. The application shall also contain a sworn statement that the candidate and his or her agents have not accepted any contribution made by a committee other than a political party committee during the campaign, or, if any such contribution has been accepted, that the contribution has been returned or donated as provided in par. (j), and the candidate and his or her agents will not accept any such contribution during the campaign, unless the candidate is determined by the board to be ineligible to receive a grant after the date of that determination.

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b2706/6.2 **SECTION 1jx.** 11.50 (2) (b) 5. of the statutes is amended to read:

11.50 (2) (b) 5. The financial reports filed by or on behalf of the candidate as of the date of the spring or September primary, or the date that the special primary is or would be held, if required, indicate that the candidate has received an amount equal to at least the amount provided in this subdivision 3% of the applicable authorized disbursement limitation, as determined under s. 11.31 (1) and adjusted under s. 11.31 (9) but without respect to any adjustment under s. 11.31 (1m), from contributions of money, other than loans, made by individuals who reside in this state and, in the case of a candidate for legislative office, by individuals at least 50% of whom reside in a county having territory within the legislative district in which the candidate seeks office, which contributions have been received during the period ending on the date of the spring primary and July 1 preceding such date in the case of candidates at the spring election, or the date of the September primary and January 1 preceding such date in the case of candidates at the general election, or the date that a special primary will or would be held, if required, and 90 days preceding such date or the date a special election is ordered, whichever is earlier, in the case of special election candidates at a special election, which contributions are in the aggregate amount of \$100 or less, and which contributions are fully identified and itemized as to the exact source thereof. A contribution received from a conduit which is identified by the conduit as originating from an individual shall be considered a contribution made by the individual. Only the first \$100 of an aggregate contribution of more than \$100 may be counted toward the required percentage. For a candidate at the spring or general election for an office identified in s. 11.26 (1) (a) or a candidate at a special election, the required amount to qualify for a grant is 5% of the candidate's authorized disbursement limitation under s. 11,31. For any other

candidate at the general election, the required amount to qualify for a grant is 10% of the candidate's authorized disbursement limitation under s. 11.31.

b2706/6.2 **Section 1jy.** 11.50 (2) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

11.50 (2) (c) If a candidate has not filed financial reports as of the date of the spring primary, September primary, special primary, or date that the special primary would be held, if required, which indicate that he or she has met the qualification under par. (b) 5., the candidate may file a special report with the board. Such report shall be filed not later than the 7th day after the primary, or 7th day after the date the primary would be held, if required, and shall include such supplementary information as to sources of contributions which may be necessary to complete the candidate's qualification. The special report shall cover the period from the day after the last date covered on the candidate's most recent report, or from the date on which the first contribution was received or the first disbursement was made, whichever is earlier, if the candidate has not previously filed a report, to the date of such report. All information included on the special report shall also be included in the candidate's next report under s. 11.20. This paragraph does not apply to a candidate who files reports under s. 11.21 (16).

b2706/6.2 **Section 1kc.** 11.50 (2) (g) of the statutes is amended to read:

11.50 (2) (g) A candidate who voluntarily files an application to receive a grant in accordance with this subsection accepts and agrees to comply with the contribution limitations prescribed in s. 11.26 and the disbursement limitations imposed under s. 11.31 (2), as adjusted under s. 11.31 (9), as binding upon himself or herself and his or her agents during the campaign of that candidate as defined in s. 11.31 (7), as a precondition to receipt of a grant under this section, unless the board

determines that the candidate is not eligible to receive a grant, the candidate

withdraws the application under par. (h), or par. (i) s. 11.31 (3p) applies.

b2706/6.2 **Section 1kd.** 11.50 (2) (h) of the statutes is repealed.

b2706/6.2 **SECTION 1ke.** 11.50 (2) (i) of the statutes is repealed.

b2706/6.2 **Section 1kf.** 11.50 (2) (j) of the statutes is created to read:

11.50 (2) (j) If a candidate who desires to apply for a grant has accepted, or the candidate's personal campaign committee has accepted, a contribution from a committee other than a political party committee during the campaign for the office that the candidate seeks, the candidate shall, before filing an application to receive a grant, return the contribution or its monetary equivalent to the contributor, or, at the contributor's option, donate an amount equal to the contribution to the fund or to the common school fund. If the board later determines that the candidate is ineligible to receive a grant, the candidate may then accept contributions from committees other than political party committees after the date of that determination.

b2706/6.2 Section 1kg. 11.50 (2m) of the statutes is created to read:

11.50 (2m) Public Information. (a) Annually, no later than September 1, the board may notify the state treasurer that an amount not exceeding 5% of the amount transferred to the fund in that year shall be placed in a public information account. Moneys in this account shall be expended by the board for the purpose of providing public information concerning the purpose and effect of this section and s. 71.10 (3).

(b) As part of the public information program under par. (a), the board shall prepare an easily understood description of the purpose and effect of this section and s. 71.10 (3).

| 1 | (c) Any amount placed in the public information account that is not expended |
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| 2 | by the board in any year shall be retained in that account. |
| 3 | * b2706/6.2 * Section 1kh. 11.50 (2s) of the statutes is created to read: |
| 4 | 11.50 (2s) POLITICAL PARTY ACCOUNTS. (a) There is established a political party |
| 5 | account for each eligible political party. Each political party account consists of all |
| 6 | moneys designated by individuals for deposit in that account under s. $71.10(3)(a)$. |
| 7 | (b) From the account of each eligible political party, the board shall apportion |
| 8 | moneys to eligible candidates representing that party who qualify to receive grants. |
| 9 | Whenever an eligible candidate representing an eligible political party receives a |
| 10 | grant, the state treasurer shall first make payment of the grant from the political |
| 11 | party account of that party, to the extent that sufficient moneys are available in that |
| 12 | account to make payment of the grant. |
| 13 | (c) If a political party for which an account is established under this subsection |
| 14 | ceases to be an eligible political party, the board shall transfer the unencumbered |
| 15 | balance of that account to the general account. |
| 16 | * b2706/6.2 * Section 1kj. 11.50 (2w) of the statutes is created to read: |
| 17 | 11.50 (2w) GENERAL ACCOUNT. There is established a general account within |
| 18 | the fund consisting of all moneys designated by individuals for deposit in that |
| 19 | account under s. 71.10 (3) (a). |
| 20 | * b2706/6.2 * Section 1kk. 11.50 (3) of the statutes is repealed. |
| 21 | *b2706/6.2* Section 1kL. 11.50 (4) of the statutes is repealed and recreated |
| 22 | to read: |
| 23 | 11.50 (4) Payment of grant amounts. The state treasurer shall make payment |
| 24 | of each grant to an eligible candidate from the political party account of that |
| 25 | candidate's political party, if any, if there are sufficient moneys in that account to |
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make full payment of the grant, and then from the general account. If there are insufficient moneys in the general account to make full payment of a grant, the state treasurer shall supplement the general account from the appropriation under s. 20.855 (4) (ba) in an amount sufficient to make full payment of the grant. Except as provided in subs. (4m) and (10), the amount of each grant is the amount specified in sub. (9).

b2706/6.2 **SECTION 1km.** 11.50 (4m) of the statutes is created to read:

- 11.50 (4m) Grants for primary campaigns. If an eligible candidate who qualifies to receive a grant in a spring, general, or special election was opposed in the spring or September primary, or in a special primary, by a candidate who qualified to have his or her name appear on the primary ballot and the eligible candidate won nomination in that primary, the board shall award to that candidate the primary grant specified in sub. (9) (a) at the same time that grants are distributed under that paragraph for the spring, general, or special election, provided that the candidate has filed with the board, no later than the time specified in s. 8.10 (2) (a), 8.15 (1), 8.20 (8) (a), or 8.50 (3) (a) nomination papers containing at least the following number of valid signatures of electors for the office that the candidate seeks:
 - (a) For candidates for statewide offices, not less than 4,000 electors.
 - (b) For candidates for state senator, not less than 800 electors.
 - (c) For candidates for representative to the assembly, not less than 400 electors.
 - ***b2706/6.2*** **Section 1kn.** 11.50 (5) of the statutes is amended to read:
- 11.50 (5) TIME OF DISBURSEMENT. The state treasurer shall make the disbursements of grants under sub. (9) (a) to the campaign depository account of each eligible candidate under subs. (3) and (4) by the end of the 3rd business day following notice from the board under s. 7.08 (2) (c) or (cm). If an eligible candidate notifies the

state treasurer of the information required to make electronic transfers to the candidate's campaign depository account, the state treasurer shall transfer to the candidate any supplemental grants under sub. (9) (b), (ba), or (bb) for which the candidate qualifies immediately following notice from the board under s. 7.08 (2) (c) or (cm). Eligible candidates for governor and lieutenant governor of the same political party may combine accounts if desired.

***b2706/6.2* Section 1kp.** 11.50 (6) of the statutes is amended to read:

11.50 (6) Excess Moneys. If the amounts which are to be apportioned to each eligible candidate under subs. (3) and (4) are more than the amount which a candidate may accept under sub. (9), or more than the amount which a candidate elects to accept under sub. (10), the excess moneys shall be retained in the fund.

b2706/6.2 Section 1kq. 11.50 (9) (title) of the statutes is amended to read:

11.50 (9) (title) Limitation on Amount of grants.

b2706/6.2 **SECTION 1kr.** 11.50 (9) of the statutes is renumbered 11.50 (9) (a) and amended to read:

11.50 (9) (a) The Except as provided in this paragraph and pars. (b), (ba), and (bb) the total grant available to an eligible candidate may not exceed an amount equal to the lesser of 45% of the disbursement level specified for the office that the candidate seeks, as determined under s. 11.31 (1) and adjusted under s. 11.31 (9) but without respect to any adjustment under s. 11.31 (1m) or that amount which, when added to all other contributions accepted from sources other than individuals, political party committees and legislative campaign committees by the candidate, is equal to 45% of the disbursement level specified for the applicable office that the candidate seeks, as determined under s. 11.31 (1) and adjusted as provided under s. 11.31 (9) but without respect to any adjustment under s. 11.31 (1m). Except as

provided in pars. (b), (ba), and (bb), the total grant available to an eligible candidate who qualifies for a grant for primary campaign expenses under sub. (4m) may not exceed an amount equal to the lesser of 55% of the disbursement level specified for the office that the candidate seeks, as determined under s. 11.31 (1) and adjusted under s. 11.31 (9), but without respect to any adjustment under s. 11.31 (1m), or that amount which, when added to all other contributions accepted by the candidate, is equal to the disbursement level specified for the office that the candidate seeks, as determined under s. 11.31 (1) and adjusted under s. 11.31 (9) but without respect to any adjustment under s. 11.31 (1m). The board shall scrutinize accounts and reports and records kept under this chapter to assure that applicable limitations under ss. 11.26 (9) and 11.31 are not exceeded and any violation is reported. No candidate or campaign treasurer may accept grants exceeding the amount authorized by this subsection.

b2706/6.2 Section 1ks. 11.50 (9) (b), (ba) and (bb) of the statutes are created to read:

11.50 (9) (b) If an eligible candidate who accepts a grant is opposed by one or more candidates in a general or special election whose names are certified under s. 7.08 (2) (a) or 8.50 (1) (d) to appear on the ballot, and if a committee intends to receive or receives any contribution or contributions that are intended to be used or that are used to oppose the election of the eligible candidate who accepts a grant or to support a certified opponent of that candidate without cooperation or consultation with any certified opposing candidate or such a candidate's agent or authorized committee, and not in concert with, or at the request or suggestion of any certified opposing candidate's agent or authorized committee, then the board shall make an additional grant to the eligible candidate who accepts a grant in an amount equal to the total

amount of contributions received for the purpose of advocating the election of the certified opposing candidate or for the purpose of opposing the election of the eligible candidate who accepts the grant, as reported by committees under s. 11.12 (6) (c).

(ba) If an eligible candidate at a primary or election, or both, who accepts a grant is opposed by one or more candidates who are required, or whose personal campaign committees are required, to file a report under s. 11.12 (8), then the board shall make an additional grant to the eligible candidate who accepts a grant in an amount equal to the total amount or value of disbursements, as reported under s. 11.12 (8), made by the opposing candidate or candidates exceeding the amount specified under s. 11.31 (1) (a) to (de), (e), or (f) for the office which the candidate seeks, as adjusted under s. 11.31 (9) but without respect to any adjustment under s. 11.31 (1m).

(bb) If the sum of the aggregate disbursements made by committees against an eligible candidate who accepts a grant and of the disbursements made by committees for that candidate's opponent, as reported under s. 11.12 (6) (c), exceed 10% of the amount specified under s. 11.31 (1) (a) to (de), (e), or (f) for the office that the eligible candidate seeks as adjusted under s. 11.31 (9), but without respect to any adjustment under s. 11.31 (1m), then the board shall make an additional grant to the eligible candidate in an amount equal to the total amount of such disbursements made by each committee to the extent that such amount exceeds the amount of any additional grant provided under par. (b) attributable to contributions received or intended to be received.

b2706/6.2 **SECTION 1kt.** 11.50 (11) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

11.50 (11) (a) No Except as authorized for candidates who are awarded grants under sub. (4m), no grant may be utilized in any primary.

| * b2706/6.2 * Section 1ku. 11.50 (11) (e) of the statutes is amended to read: |
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| 11.50 (11) (e) No candidate may expend, authorize the expenditure of or incur |
| any obligation to expend any grant if he or she violates the pledge required under |
| sub. (2) (a) as a precondition to receipt of a grant, except as authorized in sub. (2) (h) |
| o r (i) . |
| * b2706/6.2 * Section 1kv. 11.50 (14) of the statutes is created to read: |
| 11.50 (14) Certifications to secretary of revenue. (a) In each |
| even-numbered year, the board shall certify to the secretary of revenue: |
| 1. No later than July 1, the name of each political party that qualifies under |
| sub. (1) (am) 1. as an eligible political party as of the preceding June 1 and whose |
| state chairperson has filed a request to establish an account for the party under sub. |
| (2s) (a). |
| 2. No later than December 15, the name of each political party that qualifies |
| under sub. (1) (am) 2. as an eligible political party as of the date of the preceding |
| general election. |
| (b) As soon as possible after receiving a valid application from an eligible |
| candidate under sub. (2) (a) and determining that the candidate is eligible to receive |
| a grant, the board shall certify to the secretary of revenue the full name of that |
| candidate as the name appears on the candidate's nomination papers. |
| (c) In each certification under this subsection, the board shall specify the |
| expiration date of the certification. |
| *b2706/6.2* Section 1kw. 11.60 (3s) and (3t) of the statutes are created to |
| read: |
| 11.60 (3s) Notwithstanding sub. (1), if any candidate or committee, other than |
| a conduit, accepts a contribution, makes a disbursement, or incurs an obligation to |

- make a disbursement for the purpose of supporting or opposing a candidate for an office specified in s. 11.31 (1) (a) to (de), (e), or (f) without first registering under s. 11.05 (1), (2), or (2g) to the extent required under s. 11.05 (1), (2), and (2g), or without reporting the information required under s. 11.12 (6) (c) or (8) or 11.20 (3) or (4) with respect to that contribution, disbursement, or obligation, to the extent required under ss. 11.12 (6) (c) and (8) and 11.20 (3) and (4), the candidate or other individual or committee may be required to forfeit not more than \$500 per day for each day of continued violation.
- (3t) Notwithstanding sub. (1), if any candidate or committee, other than a conduit, accepts one or more contributions, makes one or more disbursements, or incurs one or more obligations to make disbursements for the purpose of supporting or opposing a candidate for an office specified in s. 11.31 (1) (a) to (de), (e), or (f) in an amount or value that differs from the amount reported by that individual or committee under s. 11.12 (6) (c) or (8) or 11.20 (3) or (4):
- (a) By more than 5% but not more than 10% cumulatively, the candidate or other individual or committee shall forfeit 4 times the amount or value of the difference.
- (b) By more than 10% but not more than 15% cumulatively, the candidate or other individual or committee shall forfeit 6 times the amount or value of the difference.
- (c) By more than 15% cumulatively, the candidate or other individual or committee shall forfeit 8 times the amount of the difference.
 - ***b2706/6.2*** **SECTION 1kx.** 11.60 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:
- 11.60 (4) Actions under this section arising out of an election for state office or a statewide referendum may be brought by the board or by the district attorney of

the county where the violation is alleged to have occurred, except as specified in s. 11.38. Actions under this section arising out of an election for local office or local referendum may be brought by the district attorney of the county where the violation is alleged to have occurred. Actions under this section arising out of an election for county office or a county referendum may be brought by the county board of election commissioners of the county wherein the violation is alleged to have occurred. In addition, whenever a candidate or personal campaign committee or agent of a candidate is alleged to have violated this chapter, action may be brought by the district attorney of any county any part of which is contained within the jurisdiction or district in which the candidate seeks election. If a violation concerns a district attorney or circuit judge or candidate for such offices, the action shall be brought by the attorney general. If a violation concerns the attorney general or a candidate for such office, the governor may appoint special counsel under s. 14.11 (2) to bring suit in behalf of the state. The counsel shall be independent of the attorney general and need not be a state employe at the time of appointment.".

b2873/2.2 5. Page 3, line 12: after that line insert:

b2873/2.2 "**SECTION 1pc.** 6.87 (2) (form) of the statutes is amended to read:

6.87 **(2)** (form)

19 STATE OF

20 County of]

21 or

[(name of foreign country and city or other jurisdictional unit)]

I,, certify subject to the penalties of s. 12.60 (1) (b), Wis. Stats., for false statements, that I am a resident of the [.... ward of the] (town) (village) of, or of

| the aldermanic district in the city of, residing at* in said city, the county | | | | |
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| of, state of Wisconsin, and am entitled to vote in the (ward) (election district) at | | | | |
| the election to be held on; that I am not voting at any other location in this election; | | | | |
| that I am unable or unwilling to appear at the polling place in the (ward) (election | | | | |
| district) on election day or have changed my residence within the state from one ward | | | | |
| or election district to another within 10 days before the election. An elector who | | | | |
| provides an identification serial number issued under s. 6.47 (3) need not provide a | | | | |
| street address. I certify that I exhibited the enclosed ballot unmarked to the witness, | | | | |
| that I then in (his) (her) presence and in the presence of no other person marked the | | | | |
| ballot and enclosed and sealed the same in this envelope in such a manner that no | | | | |
| one but myself and any person rendering assistance under s. 6.87 (5), Wis. Stats., if | | | | |
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b2873/2.2 **Section 1pe.** 6.875 (1) (at) of the statutes is amended to read:

6.875 (1) (at) "Qualified retirement home" means a retirement home that qualifies under sub. (2) (b) (c) to utilize the procedures under this section.

b2873/2.2 Section 1pg. 6.875 (2) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

6.875 (2) (a) The procedures prescribed in this section are the exclusive means of absentee voting for electors who are occupants of nursing homes or, qualified community-based residential facilities or qualified retirement homes.

b2873/2.2 Section 1pj. 6.875 (6) of the statutes, as affected by 2001 Wisconsin Act 16, is amended to read:

6.875 (6) Special voting deputies in each municipality shall, not later than 5 p.m. on the Friday preceding an election, arrange one or more convenient times with the administrator of each nursing home or, qualified retirement home, and qualified community-based residential facility in the municipality from which one or more occupants have filed an application under s. 6.86 to conduct absentee voting for the election. The time may be no earlier than the 4th Monday preceding the election and no later than 5 p.m. on the Monday preceding the election. Upon request of a relative of an occupant of a nursing home or qualified retirement home or qualified community-based residential facility, the administrator may notify the relative of the time or times at which special voting deputies will conduct absentee voting at the home or facility, and permit the relative to be present in the room where the voting is conducted. At the designated time, 2 deputies appointed under sub. (4) shall visit the nursing home or qualified retirement home or qualified community-based residential facility. The municipal clerk or executive director of the board of election

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commissioners shall issue a supply of absentee ballots to the deputies sufficient to provide for the number of valid applications received by the clerk, and a reasonable additional number of ballots. The municipal clerk or executive director shall keep a careful record of all ballots issued to the deputies and shall require the deputies to return every ballot issued to them. The deputies shall personally offer each elector who has filed a proper application the opportunity to cast his or her absentee ballot. If an elector is present who has not filed a proper application, the 2 deputies may accept an application from the elector and shall issue a ballot to the elector if the elector is qualified and the application is proper. The deputies shall administer each witness the oath certification and may, upon request of the elector, assist the elector in marking the elector's ballot. Upon request of the elector, a relative of the elector who is present in the room may assist the elector in marking the elector's ballot. All voting shall be conducted in the presence of the deputies. No individual other than a deputy may administer witness the oath certification and no individual other than a deputy or relative of an elector may render voting assistance to the elector. Upon completion of the voting, the deputies shall promptly deliver, either personally or by 1st class mail, any absentee ballot applications and the sealed certificate envelope containing each ballot to the clerk or board of election commissioners of the municipality in which the elector casting the ballot resides, within such time as will permit delivery to the polling place serving the elector's residence on election day. Personal delivery may be made by the deputies no later than noon on election day. If a qualified elector is not able to cast his or her ballot on 2 separate visits by the deputies to the nursing home or qualified retirement home facility, they shall so inform the municipal clerk or executive director of the board of election

commissioners, who may then send the ballot to the elector no later than 5 p.m. on the Friday preceding the election.

b2873/2.2 **Section 1pL.** 6.88 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

6.88 (1) When an absentee ballot arrives at the office of the municipal clerk, the clerk shall enclose it, unopened, in a carrier envelope which shall be securely sealed and endorsed with the name and official title of the clerk, and the words "This envelope contains the ballot of an absent elector and must be opened at the polls during polling hours on election day". If the ballot was received by the elector by facsimile transmission or electronic mail and is accompanied by a separate certificate, the clerk shall enclose the ballot in a certificate envelope and securely append the completed certificate to the outside of the envelope before enclosing the ballot in the carrier envelope. The clerk shall keep the ballot in the clerk's office until delivered, as required in sub. (2).

b2873/2.2 Section 1pn. 6.92 of the statutes is renumbered 6.92 (1) and amended to read:

6.92 (1) Each Except as provided in sub. (2), each inspector shall challenge for cause any person offering to vote whom the inspector knows or suspects is not a qualified elector. If a person is challenged as unqualified by an inspector, one of the inspectors shall administer the following oath or affirmation to the person: "You do solemnly swear (or affirm) that you will fully and truly answer all questions put to you regarding your place of residence and qualifications as an elector of this election"; and shall then ask questions which are appropriate as determined by the board, by rule, to test the person's qualifications.

b2873/2.2 **S**ECTION **1po.** 6.92 (2) of the statutes is created to read: